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	MEDIUM FOR PROVIDING)
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	DELIVERY SERVICES)

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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed on June 8, 2010, and the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance, the Assignee submits the following statement for entry in the above-identified application.

REMARKS

The Assignee believes that the Statement of Reasons for Allowance in this case is improper as it merely copies each limitation of the claim into the reasons for allowance. While the Assignee believes that the claims are allowable, the Assignee does not acquiesce that patentability resides in each feature, exactly as expressed in the claims, nor that each feature is required for patentability.

In addition, under 37 C.F.R. §1.104(e), reasons for allowance are intended only as a supplement to the "record as a whole" when that record is not clear and shall not be treated as a substitute for the record or in a manner inconsistent with the record. Therefore, the Assignee accepts the Examiner's reasons only to the extent that they are consistent with the record as a whole and does not accept any claim interpretation that is broader or narrower than that afforded by the record as a whole prior to the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance. As to all claims for which the basis for allowance is otherwise clear from the record, no further limitation can be inferred from the Examiner's statement under rule 104(e).

This being the only matter outstanding in the instant application, the Assignee submits that no additional fees are believed to be required. In the event the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks deems additional fees to be due in connection with this application, the Assignee's attorney hereby authorizes that such fee be charged to Deposit Account No. 06-1130.

Respectfully submitted,

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